

the returns received by him during the preceding year from the local registrars of such county, with his certificate showing the whole number of births and deaths reported during such year by each local registrar. Said clerk shall thereupon file the same in his office, and shall issue to each local registrar or sub-registrar, a voucher showing the amount due him for the aforesaid services, as shown by the certificate of said secretary. For the above named services, said clerk shall receive from the county, ten (10) cents for each birth and death recorded. *Provided, however,* that in cities of over 100,000 inhabitants, the local registrar shall perform all such duties without any charge therefor, and in counties having a city of over 100,000 inhabitants, such district court clerk shall not issue any such voucher to the local registrar of such a city, nor shall said clerk receive any compensation for any of the duties herein required in connection with birth or death records in such a city.

**Penalties.**—Sec. 2. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this act, or shall refuse or neglect to perform any duties imposed upon him thereby, for the punishment of which no other provision is made herein, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than ten (10) dollars, nor more than one hundred (100) dollars, or imprisoned for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days. Fines collected for any violation of the provisions of the foregoing, shall be paid into the treasury of the county where the offense was committed, and there credited to the general revenue fund of said county.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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#### CHAPTER 455—H. F. No. 577.

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*An Act entitled an act to provide for the inspection of canneries, publishing report of same, and establishing a grade for canned fruits and vegetables.* 13 455

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

**Inspection.**—Section 1. At such times as the dairy and food commissioner may deem proper and at least once

annually, he shall cause to be inspected all canning factories where fruits or vegetables are put up and preserved in tin or glass cans or jars, to be sold as food, and may require the correction of all unsanitary conditions, and practices found therein, and may search and enter all cupboards, closets or any other places in said canning factories for the purpose of discovering any chemical preservatives or adulterants which he believes are in use or intended to be used in the canning or preserving of fruits or vegetables.

Every refusal or neglect to obey any lawful direction of the commissioner or his agent, given in carrying out the provisions of this section, shall be deemed a misdemeanor.

**Publishing report.**—Sec. 2. The dairy and food commissioner shall, in his public bulletins of information, report and publish the conditions found in the canning factories he has inspected.

**Label.**—Sec. 3. Any person, firm or corporation owning or operating a canning factory where fruit or vegetables are put up and preserved in tin or glass cans or jars, to be sold as food, may label and sell the same as "Minnesota standard," provided the person, firm or corporation puts up, cans and preserves fruits and vegetables which are absolutely free from chemical coloring matter and adulterants of any kind, and which have been inspected and passed upon as of first class grade and quality by the dairy and food commissioner.

**Deputy inspector—penalties.**—Sec. 4. The commissioner shall, upon the request of the owner or operator of any canning factory, furnish an efficient deputy or agent for the purpose of such inspection, who shall be required to be daily at the canning factory during the canning season, to test and inspect the fruits or vegetables as they are in process of being put up and canned, and shall be required to stencil, mark or brand all cans or jars containing the canned product which he has inspected and passed upon as of first class grade and quality and entitled to be labeled and sold as "Minnesota standard," with the word "Inspected and approved," and also the name of the deputy or agent making such inspection, provided said owner or operator pay to the commissioner the sum of at least one hundred dollars in advance for such examination and inspection, but the expense to the owner or operator of any canning factory shall not be

more than five dollars per day during the time that the deputy or agent is in attendance at said factory for such examination and inspection.

Whoever shall, without such inspection and without authority of the commissioner, as aforesaid, use the brand or label "Minnesota standard," shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Whoever shall be found guilty of a misdemeanor under this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$30, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than thirty days.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 25, 1907.

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## CHAPTER 456—H. F. No. 581.

*An Act to create the office of special inspector in the bureau of labor.*

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

**Female inspector.**—Section 1. The commissioner of labor is hereby authorized and directed to appoint, in addition to the other employes of his department, a competent woman as a special inspector, who shall have all the rights and powers possessed by the other inspectors in the bureau of labor, whose special duty it shall be to examine into the sanitary conditions in all factories, workshops, hotels or restaurants, and all places where women are employed, and report to the bureau any violations of the law, and the existence of any conditions or practices which detract from the general well being of the women so employed at any such places. The recommendations of said special inspector as to any new laws that may be necessary for the advancement of the interests of women laborers shall be reported by the commissioner of labor to the next legislature.

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